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Mosquito Spraying – August 16 Craney Island mosquito spraying scheduled

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will conduct an aerial treatment with mosquito larvicide this week at the Craney Island Dredged Material Management Area (CIDMMA) in Portsmouth, Va. Crabbe Aviation L.L.C., the Corps' aerial mosquito control contractor, will treat 250 acres at CIDMMA on Thursday, Aug. 16 (weather permitting).

The treatment will consist of a granular mosquito larvicide product that specifically targets developing mosquito larvae. The larvicide poses no threat to humans or animals. The contractor will be using an Air Tractor, a fixed-wing aircraft similar to aircraft used for crop dusting. All work will be performed over Federal property, away from adjacent residential areas. This is the first of two aerial treatments planned in 2007.

If conditions are not favorable for spraying on Aug. 16, the inclement weather date is Friday, Aug. 17.

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